



# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "Since my release, I have become more convinced than ever that the real makers of history are the ordinary men and women of our country; their participation in every decision about the future is the only guarantee of true democracy and freedom." ~ Nelson Mandela

Aug. 5, 2015

## Community Volunteer Fair at Farmers' Market – Aug. 15

Come to the City of Bloomington Volunteer Network's Community Volunteer Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Aug. 15 at the Farmers' Market at 8th and Morton Streets. You will meet the people working at our local nonprofit organizations and learn what they do, why they do it, and how you can contribute! Over 40 organizations will be there, each offering ways that citizens of all ages can make a difference. Community needs which volunteers can meet can also be viewed online. Set-up and tear-down volunteers would be welcomed between 8-9:30 a.m. and 1-1:45 p.m. Please contact Bet Savich at (812) 349-3472 or [volunteer@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:volunteer@bloomington.in.gov). ([www.BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org](http://www.BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org))

## Art Books Workshop

Volunteers will assist El Centro Comunal Latino and La Casa Latino Cultural Center as they offer community members the opportunity to learn how to make art books from recycled materials. Sessions will include printing, cover design, bookbinding, and illustration and will be offered weekly on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. this Fall. No prior experience necessary. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Cristian Medina at [cardboardhousepress@gmail.com](mailto:cardboardhousepress@gmail.com) or (812) 320-7839. ([www.cardboardhousepress.org](http://www.cardboardhousepress.org); [www.elcentrocomunal.com](http://www.elcentrocomunal.com))

## Vision Screening Training – Aug. 23

Help children see! Each year the Bloomington Lions Club offers free vision screening to Monroe County children. On Aug. 23, they will offer a free training for volunteers on the OptecVision screening equipment. Trained volunteers can then select from a variety of times to volunteer between Sept. 1-18. There is no need to join the Lion's Club to volunteer to be a part of this wonderful service in our schools. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Monica Clemons at (812) 339-3738 or [clemons.mm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:clemons.mm@sbcglobal.net). ([www.bloomingtonlions.org](http://www.bloomingtonlions.org))

## Hoosier to Hoosier Sale Day – Aug. 22

The Hoosier to Hoosier Community Sale, which is almost entirely volunteer-powered, would love your help to run one of Bloomington's largest garage sales on Sat., Aug. 22! Volunteers will assist with tallying, crowd control and parking, as movers/loaders (strong backs needed!) and in merchandise areas (such as appliances, housewares, books/media/office supplies, clothing, and bedding). This waste-diversion program intercepts reusable items during IU student move out, and sells them to raise funds for local sustainability initiatives at IU and the City, as well as for its nonprofit partner, the Cutters Soccer Club. The sale will take place at The Warehouse, 1525 S. Rogers St. Early bird admission costs \$10 from 8-9:30 a.m.; admission is free from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteer shifts are: 7:30-10 a.m., 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 12-3 p.m., and 3-6 p.m. If there is a particular merchandise area which appeals to you, please note it when you sign up for a shift at [bit.ly/H2HVolunteer](http://bit.ly/H2HVolunteer). Minimum age is 16; 13 if with an adult. Please contact Jacqueline Bauer at (812) 349-3837 or [h2h@indiana.edu](mailto:h2h@indiana.edu). ([www.indiana.edu/~sustain](http://www.indiana.edu/~sustain))

## Carpentry Skills Needed for Compost Bins

Indiana University's Hilltop Garden and Nature Center's food waste composting program started in 2011 and has been gradually increasing the amount of food waste collected from the dining halls, diverting it from the landfill, and using it to create nutrient rich compost for gardens on campus. They now collect about 600 gallons of food waste each week. Additional bins are needed to compost more food waste from other IU dining halls. Hilltop has the plans for aerated bins and will provide the materials, but would appreciate volunteers with carpentry expertise to build the bins. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Charlotte Griffin at (812) 855-8808 or [charlottteg38@gmail.com](mailto:charlottteg38@gmail.com). ([www.indiana.edu/~hilltop](http://www.indiana.edu/~hilltop))

## Community Wish List Spotlight

### Volunteers in Medicine

A free medical clinic for adults without health insurance or the economic means to pay for health care. To grant a wish, contact Stephen Chambers at [schambers@vimmonroecounty.org](mailto:schambers@vimmonroecounty.org) or (812) 333-4001. (811 W. Second St.; [www.vimmonroecounty.org](http://www.vimmonroecounty.org))

**Wishes:** Dixie cups, Ziploc bags (quart), small pill cutters, printer paper, manila envelopes (10x12), jumbo paper clips, battery back-up surge protectors, batteries (9V, AA)

*Use the Community Wish List to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.*

*The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit [BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org](http://BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org) or call 812-349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.*

